

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please replace the Title beginning at page 1, line 3, with the following amended Title:

**SOIL MICROORGANISM-HOUSING BIOSENSORS AND THEIR USES**  
**BIOSENSOR HAVING SOIL MICROORGANISM HOUSED THEREIN AND USE**  
**THEREOF**

Please insert the following new paragraph on page 1 at the next line below the Title:

This application is a national stage application under 35 U.S.C. § 371 from PCT Application No. PCT/JP2004/016422, filed November 5, 2004, which claims the priority benefit of Japanese Application No. 2003-390013, filed November 19, 2003.